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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: PRIME MINISTER'S MAY 20 SPEECH

REF: CAPE TOWN 560

1. DEPARTMENT PREFERS THAT VORSTER NOT REPEAT NOT RELEASE TEXT OF TRIPARTITE AIDE MEMOIRE ON NAMIBIA. VORSTER STATEMENTS AND NOT TRIPARTITE AIDE MEMOIRE SHOULD BE FOCUS OF DISCUSSION IN SC DEBATE ON NAMIBIA. WE ALSO WISH TO MAINTAIN AS MUCH FLEXIBILITY AS POSSIBLE TO WORK WITH AFRICANS IN TRYING TO DEVELOP A COORDINATED POSITION AND FROM THIS VIEWPOINT BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE ADVANTAGES IN AVOIDING RELEASE OF LANGUAGE OF AIDE MEMOIRE AT THIS STAGE. OF COURSE, 3 POWERS MUST BE AND ARE READY TO RELEASE TEXT IF VORSTER OR OTHERS WERE TO DISTORT ITS CONTENT.

2. THEREFORE, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH YOUR BRITISH AND CONFIDENTIAL

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FRENCH COLLEAGUES, YOU SHOULD SUGGEST THAT BOTTOMLY

ADVISE VORSTER: (A) NOT REPEAT NOT TO RELEASE TEXT OF
AIDE MEMOIRE, (B) BUT RATHER USE PARAPHRASE OF IDEAS
ON ITS MAIN THEMES WITHOUT ATTRIBUTING EXACT LANGUAGE
TO THE THREE POWERS.

3. FRENCH AND UK REPS HERE AGREED WITH ABOVE APPROACH
ALTHOUGH NEITHER HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM
RESPECTIVE FOREIGN MINISTRIES. KISSINGER

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